

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

1-15. (Cancelled).

16. (Currently Amended) A mixture of ethoxylates of C₄₋₆-alkylglycols -or diglycols which, on average, have a degree of ethoxylation of from 1 to 8 based on the C₄₋₆ alkylglycols or -diglycols, ~~and surfactants which, dissolved in an amount of 5 g/l of water, exhibit an interfacial tension of less than 45 mN/m at 20°C, and/or~~ and dihydroxyalkynes or derivatives thereof, ~~wherein the surfactants are nonionic surfactants and are chosen from ethoxylates of C₉₋₂₀-alkanols which, on average, have a degree of ethoxylation of from 3 to 30, and mixtures thereof, wherein the ethoxylates of C₄₋₆-alkylglycols or diglycols are present in an amount of 0.1 to 10 % by weight of the mixture with the remaining proportion of the mixture allotted to the nonionic surfactants.~~

Claims 17-18. (Cancelled)

19. (Previously Presented) A laundry detergent, cleaner or wetting agent or cosmetic, pharmaceutical or crop protection formulation comprising a mixture as claimed in claim 16.

Claims 20-28 (Cancelled).